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- 11. (U) On October 28, NATO Secretary General Rasmussen issued a statement condemning the attack earlier in the day against a UN questhouse in Kabul.
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Statement by the Secretary General on Kabul attacks

On behalf of NATO, I strongly condemn the attacks that took place in Kabul today, in which a number of international and Afghan UN staff were killed and injured.

The victims of these terrorist attacks were devoted to helping the Afghan people build better lives. In targeting them, the Taliban has demonstrated once again that it is truly an enemy of the Afghan people.

I express my condolences to the families of the victims, and to the United Nations.

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